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M&D Milestone NO.* 47(50)
Counties (MD/PA) Baltimore/York

A COMPARATIVE ASSESSMENT OF THE STATUS AND CONDITION
OF THE MONUMENTS ON THE MASON AND DIXON LINE.

MONUMENT LOCATION:

DATE OF OBSERVATION: 18 FEB 88

This stone is located at the edge of Orwig Road on the North side. In close proximity to housing and traffic.

DESCRIPTION/MEASUREMENTS:

This stone is 12" square and about 12" out of the ground. It is well set in a solid foundation. "M" is readable, "P" is in good condition. Grass is trimmed around the stone and one iron stake signals its location. Rounded and worn.

STATUS: PROTECTED ENDANGERED MISSING UNEXPOSED NOT FOUND

COMPARATIVE CONDITION: EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR DETERIORATED RUINS UNEXPOSED

1900-1903 Resurvey: Original monument in place.

1959 report by W.H.Bayliff: Original monument, being exposed to machinery, is chipped on south side. Firm foundation.

1980 report by Alice Martin: Original (1766). endangered and in fair condition. Endangered by proximity to edge of narrow country road, with increasing traffic and road maintenance machinery.

Current status and condition: This stone is located within a foot of the roadway paving and appears vulnerable to many sources of damage. The top edges are well rounded and there is a large chip missing from the SW corner. North edge is chipped. The stone is endangered from several sources.

NOTES:

Vertical edges show some chipping. This stone is a potential hazard to motorists and needs better marking.

PHOTO Nos.: 47(50) A,B.

MAPS: MGS topographic map of Baltimore County, 1985.

USGS 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle, New Freedom quadrangle.

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* The monuments are numbered here according to the Mason and Dixon milepost numbers. The number in parentheses corresponds to the 1900 Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary. The numbers for the West Line start at "0" at the northeast corner of Maryland and increase westward.



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Status: Endangered.
Condition: Fair.
Foundation: Firmly set and solid.